

**Minutes
West Lafayette Historic Preservation Commission
Morton Community Center
222 N. Chauncey Avenue
West Lafayette, IN 47906
March 8, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chris Kulesza, President, who presided.

Present: Peter Bunder, Erin Britton, Chris Kulesza, Chandler Poole, Arnold Sweet, Kurt Wahl
Absent: Kelly Busch, Susan Curtis, Linda Martin, Jim Sondgeroth,

President Kulesza stated for the record that Persis Newman has resigned from the Historic Preservation Commission. We will be looking for one individual to take that seat.

Commissioner Bunder moved to accept the minutes of the February 9, 2016 Historic Preservation Commission meeting. Commissioner Britton seconded. Approved unanimously.

COA Application 406 Littleton Drive

Director of Development Chandler Poole spoke regarding this project. There was a COA meeting on February 2 regarding this project where the sub-committee heard the presentation from the applicants. There was a motion that was seconded and approved by the Commission to recommend approval to the Commissioner.

Commissioner Bunder stated that the sub-committee was happy with the application. Kurt Wahl did suggest a couple of changes that the committee agreed with and the applications agreed to change. This would be changing the EFIS of the entry way to something a little bit more durable. The applicants agreed to go with vinyl windows for the replacement windows on this building.

The applicants didn't have anything to add from the sub-committee meeting unless the Commissioners have any questions.

Commissioner Bunder moved to approve the COA Application for 406 Littleton Drive. Commissioner Sondgeroth seconded.

The floor was opened for public hearing. No public comments were made.

Commissioner Britton spoke regarding this project. Kurt Wahl clarified some of the plans for Commission Britton.

The COA Application was approved unanimously.

Bylaw Discussion

President Kulesza spoke regarding this. He sent them to Mr. Burns for approval, but hasn't been able to speak to him at this point. If the Commission would like, they can be passed along to City Council and if there are any issues at that point, they can be brought up then.

The Commission agreed on a few of changes to the Bylaws as they were written before they are sent to City Council.

Commissioner Bunder moved to send the Bylaws to City Council for final approval. Commissioner Britton seconded.

The floor was opened for public comment.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Staff Report

Mr. Poole stated that a COA was received today on Dehart Street. The applicant pointed out that our form states that staff can approve a number of things, including a removal of a non-original addition. They are taking away an addition on this house. Mr. Poole wanted advisement to determine if this is something that the Commission is okay with him approving alone. The Commission agrees that this is something that he should be able to do.

Mr. Wahl suggested that if Mr. Poole has any question regarding the application, he should just send it on to the sub-committee.

Public Comment – None.

Commissioner Sweet spoke regarding the semi-trucks driving on Happy Hollow. Mr. Poole stated that this should be on the agenda of the Traffic Commission agenda.

Commissioner Kulesza spoke regarding the appeals board in the bylaws briefly before they adjourned. Commissioner Bunder asked that Commissioner Kulesza send him what he would like to go in front of Council and Commissioner Bunder would get it on the website.

Commissioner Britton spoke regarding the Historic Preservation Commission and a neighbor in her neighborhood that was unhappy with the process of the Commission COA application. This was related to a house that was done without a building permit. Mr. Poole confirmed that when someone applies for a building permit in that district, this gets sent directly to him to review to confirm whether or not a COA application is needed.

Mr. Poole stated that we should think about sending out another letter to advise the homeowners of the vote that will need to take place regarding the ordinance. Commissioner Bunder and Commissioner Kulesza confirmed that no vote will take place. A majority of the property

owners in the Historic District will need to object to the ordinance in writing for it to not be allowed to move onto the second phase.

Commissioner Sondgeroth questioned whether the mid-century modern house that was previously approved had been fixed per the request of the Commission. Mr. Poole stated that he believes that the weather turned just as we asked them to make a few changes so he's unaware of whether or not it's been fixed.

Commissioner Bunder moved to adjourn. Commissioner Sweet seconded. Adjourned unanimously at 6:39.

Kelly Busch, Secretary